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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

OOSAKA, SHIGENORI, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/842,984

Confirmation No.: 2480

Group Art Unit: Not yet assigned

Filed: April 27, 2001

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For: **FILM IMAGE INPUT SYSTEM**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new claim:

--46. A film image output unit using a film cartridge including a film cartridge main body for housing a developed continuous photo film therein a single spool rotatably provided in said film cartridge main body, said single spool having one end of said photo film affixed thereto in the longitudinal direction thereof, said photo film being wound around said single spool, said film cartridge including a magnetic recording layer coated on said photo film and an IC memory installed in said cartridge main body, and said film image output unit comprising:

film feeder including a film supply part for housing said film cartridge therein and supplying said photo film from the housed film cartridge and a film take-up part for taking up

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said photo film, said film feeder feeding said photo film between said film supply part and said film take-up part;

reader for reading information recorded in both of said magnetic recording layer on said photo film and said IC memory;

image pickup for picking up a frame image from said photo film to output an image signal representing the picked up from image; and

output for outputting the information read by the reader and the image signal output from said image pickup so that said frame image and said information can be confirmed by a user.--

REMARKS

Entry of this amendment for purposes of establishing a filing date is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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